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SUBJECT:EVALUATION OF PMM DATA SYSTEM STUDY

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1. SER/DM REVIEW OF PMM REPORT INDICATES INSUFFICIENT
DETAIL ON THE MECHANIZED SYSTEMS. ANNEX X AND XI SHOW
FOUR MAN YEARS OF ANALYSIS IN ONE YEAR, INDICATING A
MAJOR EFFORT. HOWEVER, THE ACTIVITIES LISTED DO NOT
IDENTIFY THE DEVELOPMENT, TESTING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
COMPUTER PROGRAMS. ALSO, THERE IS NO MENTION OF SYSTEMS
ANALYST OR PROGRAMMER STAFF.

2. NO DELIVERABLES ARE DEFINED (I.E., SYSTEMS, PROGRAM,
OPERATIONS OR USER DOCUMENTATION) AND SYSTEMS PRODUCTION
SCHEDULES ARE NOT IDENTIFIED. A COMPLETE EVALUATION MUST
BE BASED ON MORE SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTATION.

3. THE PRICE OF DOLS. 100,000 SEEMS TO BE HIGH FOR (1)
THE EXPECTED BANKING SYSTEM VOLUME; AND (2) ONLY SUPER-
VISION AND OVERSEEING, RATHER THAN ACTUALLY PERFORMING
THE TASKS. THE REFERENCED EQUIPMENT CHARACTERISTICS
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(PAGE 48, APP. A) ARE VAGUE AND INADEQUATE. THERE ARE

NO INDICATIONS THAT THE NCR AND IBM COMPUTER SYSTEMS WILL
BE COMPATIBLE. NOR IS THERE AN ADEQUATE JUSTIFICATION

FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE NCR.

4. THE PMM REPORT APPEARS TO BE AS GOOD AS A SYSTEMS AND
PROCEDURE SURVEY. RATHER THAN CONTRACTING FOR THE DESIGN,
DEVELOPMENT, PROGRAMMING AND IMPLEMENTATION, ALL AT ONCE,
SUGGEST CONTRACT FOR ONLY SYSTEM DESIGN NOW, WITH OPTION
FOR FURTHER STAGES AFTER DESIGN APPROVAL. THIS WOULD
ALLOW MORE ORGANIZED AND STRUCTURED APPROACH, WITH BETTER
VISIBILITY AT EACH STAGE. ALSO, WOULD PERMIT ASSESSMENT
OF EQUIPMENT, AND SKILLS OF ANALYSTS AND PROGRAMMERS,
WHICH ARE VERY CRITICAL TO SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION.

5. OVERALL, PMM PROPOSALS SEEM VERY OPTIMISTIC ON
SCHEDULE AND EXPENSIVE FOR ONLY OVERSEEING RESPONSIBIL-
ITIES. PHASED APPROACH WOULD ALLOW FOR STAFF AND USER
TRAINING ACTIVITIES, NECESSARY FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTA-
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